



Town Council Agenda Report

SUBJECT:

Approving payments to not-for-profit organizations for FY2001.

CONTACT PERSON/NUMBER: Chris Wallace, 797-1050

TITLE OF AGENDA ITEM:

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING VARIOUS NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES WHICH PROVIDE SERVICES FOR THE RESIDENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

REPORT IN BRIEF:

The FY2001 budget appropriated \$105,000 for donations to not-for-profits. Requests from not-for-profits total \$142,671. The Town Council typically listens to brief presentations from each organization and then adjusts the requests accordingly.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS:

None for FY2001, though this is an annual activity.

CONCURRENCES:

The Town's staff does not have a position on any particular requests from any not-for-profits and requests only that the approved amounts in total be equal to or less than the budget.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Has request been budgeted? Yes, in part

If yes, expected cost \$105,000

If no, amount needed \$37,671 additional dollars will be needed if all requests are approved.

What account will funds be appropriated from: Culture and Recreation, Assistance Programs, Donations.

Additional Comments: not applicable

RECOMMENDATION(S):

Motion to approve the resolution with appropriate funding changes as the Town Council desires.

Attachment(s):

Resolution

Attachment A

Requests from not-for-profit agencies

Item No.

RESOLUTION _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING
VARIOUS NOT-FOR-PROFIT AGENCIES WHICH PROVIDE SERVICES FOR
THE RESIDENTS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, the Town of Davie is concerned that there are unmet community
service needs in our community; and

WHEREAS, the attached not-for-profit agencies (Exhibit "A") provide services such
as financial assistance, food, clothing, drug prevention, recreational programs for children,
shelter, counseling and child care for Town residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
DAVIE, FLORIDA.

Section 1. The Town Council of the Town of Davie does hereby encourage and
strongly support the attached not-for-profit agencies and authorizes a donation for services
rendered to residents as designated in Exhibit "A."

Section 2. The Town Council authorizes the expenditure to the attached not-for-
profit agencies in the total amount of \$105,000.

SECTION 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and
adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2000

MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBER

ATTEST:

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2000

Attachment "A"

Organization	FY00 Amount	FY2001 Request	
The Starting Place	7,500	7,500	
United Hearing And Deaf	2,224	1,225	
Women In Distress	4,000	4,000	
Young At Art	10,000	10,000	
Area Agency On Aging	13,176	16,237	
Brookwood	2,000	5,000	
EASE	12,500	17,000	
Family Central	8,536	10,869	
Hope Outreach	7,500	10,000	
Memorial Healthcare	15,000	17,500	no request received
Kid's Voting Broward	2,424	2,500	
BCC	15,000	15,000	no request received
Miss America/FOP	-0-	3,500	no request received
PAL	-0-	15,000	additional funds by P.D.
Broward Urban River Trails	-0-	5,000	
First Call For Help	<u>-0-</u>	<u>2,340</u>	
Total	<u>\$99,860</u>	<u>\$142,671</u>	
Appropriation Request		<u>\$105,000</u>	
Amount Over/To Be Cut		<u><u>\$37,671</u></u>	



The Starting Place INC.

A MENTAL HEALTH - SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING CENTER FOR ADOLESCENTS AND ADULTS

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A United Way Agency
Sponsored by DCF

Special Funding By
Broward County Board of Commissioners

April 28, 2000

Mayor Harry Venis
Town of Davie
6951 Orange Drive
Davie, FL 33314

Dear Mayor Venis:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff, and most importantly the clients we serve, I want like to thank you for your support that both you and the Town of Davie have given to The Starting Place since 1995. As you are aware, The Starting Place is a comprehensive treatment center for children, adolescents, and adults with substance abuse and addiction problems. While we are located in the City of Hollywood we have served for many years and will continue to serve many families from the town of Davie with family and individual therapy services. We have been incorporated in the State of Florida since 1969, providing substance abuse and mental health counseling, education, prevention and referral services, with all programs licensed by the state in areas of treatment, intervention, and/or prevention. During 1998-99, The Starting Place served more than (Feb. 99-March 2000) 15,070 Broward County residents.

Our Adolescent Residential Program is a 3-6 month live-in program for residents between the ages of 12 and 17, for intensive individual, group, and family therapy. Our Day Treatment Program is less structured, providing counseling for children and adolescents during the hours of 8:30 am until 5 p.m. each day. Individual Outpatient services for adults and adolescents address a variety of issues based on individualized needs. The Starting Place also operates school-based prevention programs in seven Broward schools, as well as the Police Referral Outreach Program, a home-based intervention program.

It is evident that the population of Davie is continually on the rise, comprised of a large percentage of people within the 12-17 age group. Davie is a family-oriented town, offering an attractive and appealing lifestyle to young parents aiming for the American dream. Unfortunately, an increase in the use of substances and alcohol is also on the rise, and has infiltrated even our finest communities. According to the Center for Disease Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS), in 1997, nationwide approximately one half 46.1% of students nationwide had first drunk alcohol before age 13 years and 39.8% of students had been offered, sold, or given an illegal drug on school property. Drug use among adolescents ages 12 to 17 years doubled between 1992 and 1997, from 5.3 percent to 11.4 percent. Youth marijuana use has been associated with a number of dangerous behaviors. Nearly 1 million youth aged 16 to 18 years (11 percent of the total) have reported driving in the past year at least once within 2 hours of using an illegal drug (most often marijuana). Adolescents aged 12 to 17 years who smoke marijuana were more than twice as likely to cut class, steal, attack persons, and destroy property than those who did not smoke marijuana.

Drug and alcohol use by youth is also associated with other forms of unhealthy and unproductive behavior, including delinquency and high-risk sexual activity. According to the National Center for Juvenile Justice, their National Crime Victimization Survey

indicates that 25% of all serious violent crimes involved a juvenile offender, either independently or in a group. It is difficult to deny the correlation between drugs and violence, as the two seem, more times than not, to appear together. Unfortunately, drugs, crime and violence are part of our every day existence. These circumstances are present in our schools, with teachers and school personnel at a loss for appropriate methods of intervention. Family units appear to be breaking down, and respect for self and others appears to be declining. It is time for us to take action and responsibility as concerned community constituents to have direct impact on our children, and attempt to confront these negative circumstances with positive alternatives.

Over the course of the next 2-3 years, The Starting Place will have experienced a deficit of more than \$100,000 from our general operating funds due to state funding cuts. In order for us to maintain and offer our level of quality services at affordable rates as a community-based facility, it is necessary for us to appeal to the officials of surrounding towns and cities who represent the people to which services are provided. It is time for us to band together to create change, and support prevention, intervention, and counseling services that will assist our children during this crucial time of need.

With funding being cut to providers, family members working harder than ever to maintain an acceptable standard of living, and children functioning almost independently in our society today, the need for crisis intervention, support and treatment services is more essential than ever. We are once again requesting \$7,500 from the Town of Davis to supplement deficits to our general operating funds, so that we may maintain and expand services to community members in need.

If you would like to visit our facility for a closer look at our programs and how they function, please feel free to contact me at your convenience at 926-6941. If you have any questions, or require additional information about The Starting Place, we would be happy to comply. Thank you for your time and consideration, and we hope to hear from you soon regarding this request.

Sincerely,



Mark J. Casale
Associate Director

cc: Chris Wallace, Finance Director



United Hearing & Deaf Services, Inc.

6/15/2000

Mr. Chris Wallace
Finance Director
City of Davie
6591 Orange Drive
Davie, FL 33314

Dear Mr. Wallace:

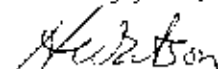
On behalf of United Hearing and Deaf Services, Inc. (UHDS), I am writing to ask that your municipality make a contribution of a 10% share, in the amount of \$1,225.00 to our agency, to help us to continue providing quality services for residents of your community. UHDS provides audiology; counseling and case management; drug prevention and recreational programs for children; educational outreach including health lectures and sign language classes and interpreting services for the nearly 200,000 deaf and hard-of-hearing people in Broward County. In the coming year UHDS will help approximately 139 residents from your community at a cost of \$12,232.00. The average cost of a typical service at UHDS is \$88.00 per client. Services are available to all county residents of all ages regardless of ability to pay.

UHDS is proud to be the only agency in Broward providing services to the deaf and hard-of-hearing. Our not for profit agency has been helping to improve the quality of life for the deaf and hard-of-hearing for nearly 20 years. As with all agencies, securing funding becomes a growing problem every year. We are happy to be able to help the residents of, but would appreciate your partnering with us to help defray the costs of some of our care to your community residents.

I encourage you to use UHDS as a community resource when you are caring for the deaf and hard-of-hearing. We are available to meet with appropriate providers in the city to discuss our services in further depth at any time.

Thank you for considering our request for funding.

Sincerely yours,


Howard M. Watson
Executive Director





WOMEN IN DISTRESS[®]
OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC.
ESTABLISHED 1984
5101 N.W. 11th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

Services:

24 hour Crisis Line

Emergency Shelter

*Outreach, Individual
and Group Counseling
for Women, Children and
Men*

Advocacy

*Information
and Referral*

*Community
Education*

*School Intervention
Programs*

*Post Arrest Victim
Assistance*

*County Outreach
Centers*

*Volunteer
Opportunities*

*Spanish/Creole
Bilingual Staff*

June 1, 2000

Mr. Christopher Wallace, Finance Director
Town of Davie
8591 Orange Drive
Davie, FL 33314

Dear Mr. Wallace:

Chris

Women In Distress of Broward County, Inc. (WID) respectfully requests the opportunity to apply for funding from your upcoming Fiscal Year 2000-2001 budget.

As Broward County's only state certified domestic violence center, WID provides many services to the victims and to the community. Safe refuge was provided to 629 victims last year; 19 of whom were Davie residents. The average length of stay is 27 days and the average cost per client per day is \$54.00. Outreach counseling was provided to more than 2022 men, women and children; 41 of whom were Davie residents.

We appreciate your support in the past and hope that you will continue to support our services. Please consider designating \$4,000 in your next budget so Women In Distress of Broward County, Inc. can continue to serve the victims of domestic violence.

Sincerely,

Christine M. Thrower

Christine M. Thrower
President and Chief Executive Officer

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*Hope to hear
from you soon!*



POST OFFICE BOX 676, FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA 33302
Broward County's Only State Certified Comprehensive Domestic Violence Center
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A United Way Agency



Chris

11584 Santa Road #4
Davie, Florida 33323
Tel: 954-474-0285
Fax: 954-375-5057

September 11, 2000

Mayor Harry Venis
Town of Davie
6591 Orange Drive
Davie, FL 33314

Dear Mayor Venis:

Young At Art Children's Museum is recognized as a cultural treasure, unique to this area. It plays a vital role in the educational experience of the children of South Florida and contributes to the Town of Davie through special programming for underserved students. Young At Art was also recognized by the State of Florida as the #1 Children's Museum in the State and brings that recognition to the Town of Davie.

Last year the Town of Davie also recognized Young At Art Children's Museum by awarding it a contribution of \$10,000 for its general operations. We respectfully request a donation of this amount for 200/2001 so that we may continue to enrich the lives of its children and contribute to their creative development through classes, school tours and outreach programs.

Thank you for your consideration and continued support of the Museum.

Sincerely,


Mindy Shrager
Executive Director

AREA AGENCY ON AGING OF BROWARD COUNTY

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Edith Lederberg
Executive Director

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The Honorable Harry Venis
Town of Davie
6591 SW 45th Street
Davie, FL 33314

Dear Mayor Venis,

The Area Agency on Aging is the prime focal point for planning, coordinating, and funding projects and services for over 343,000 year-round senior residents of Broward County. Our main goals are to help enable local elders live their retirement years with merited dignity and assist their efforts to "age in place" in a safe and secure environment.

Federal Older Americans Act and State Community Care for the Elderly Appropriations mandate a local 10% match. Your participation in the fundraising activity will help assure receipt of \$9 (nine dollars) in Federal and State Monies for each \$1 (one dollar) raised locally. These sources of funding provide the major monies for vital programs, like Meals-on-Wheels, senior centers, minor home repairs, adult day care, legal, information, referral, and a variety of in-home services, such as homemaker, personal care, and respite.

Since 1974, our nonprofit organization has utilized a Fair Share Methodology to raise as much local match as possible for our Aging Network Family. Recent increases in Community Care for the Elderly Dollars have augmented the requested match, for this funding source, from the municipalities, as well as County Government.

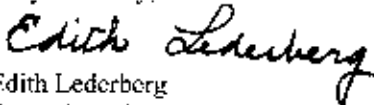
Because the 2000 census figures will not be available until late in the present year or early in 2001, we are basing our request for next year on the current population estimates employed in the last Fair Share Documents. Please review the following data, as well as the attached backup information, which is collected from our Computerized Project Reports and list the units, numbers of clients and the costs of the services provided to your City's senior constituency.

In 1999, our Project Family provided your 6,245 seniors with \$469,395 in services. The Area Agency's Match Request for 2001 is \$16,237. Therefore, for every \$1 we are seeking, the Area Agency provided over \$28.90 in services. Your investment definitely would derive an excellent return.

The Area Agency on Aging of Broward County is administered by the Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc and funded by Older Americans Act, Florida's Community Care for the Elderly, and Alzheimer Disease Initiative Legislation through the State Department of Elder Affairs.

If you have any questions, please contact this Executive Director at 714-3456.
Thank you for your dedication and advocacy on behalf of Older Americans.

Very sincerely,


Edith Lederberg
Executive Director

Attachment

cc: Town Council of Davie
Robert Middaugh, Town Administrator
Chris Wallace, Finance Director
Gail Reinfeld, Town Clerk
Sharon Kent, Community Services Director

EXPLANATION OF FAIR SHARE

Federal Dollars are provided to the Area Agency through Older Americans Act Legislation. State Dollars are allocated to the Area Agency by the Community Care for the Elderly Act. Both the Federal and State Dollars must be matched locally on a 90-10% ratio. This means that for every nine dollars provided by the Federal and State Governments, we must raise one dollar in Broward County.

FUNDS REQUIRING LOCAL MATCH FOR 2001

Federal Title III Older Americans Act Dollars	\$5,001,987
General Revenue	937,371
State Community Care for the Elderly	<u>6,951,457</u>
	<u>\$12,890,815</u>
10% Local Matching Dollars Required	\$1,289,815
<u>Matching Funds Requested by Senior Aides Program</u>	<u>50,000</u>
Total Matching Funds Requested	<u>\$1,339,815</u>

THE FAIR SHARE FORMULA

Since 1973, the Area Agency has utilized a Fair Share Formula to request and receive Matching Funds from Broward's Cities and the County Commission. We divide the required Matching Funds by the number of elderly in Broward County to achieve a figure representing each Broward resident 60 years of age or older.

Projected 2001 Broward Total Population 60 and Over	<u>343,333</u>
Representative Fair Share Dollar Amount per Senior Resident 60 or Over: \$1,339,815 divided by 343,333	<u>\$ 3.90</u>

We request each City to pay 2/3 of the Fair Share Dollars for their senior constituency and the County to pay 1/3. We further ask the County to pay the full Fair Share for each senior resident of the unincorporated areas.

Fair Share Request per Senior Resident	<u>\$ 3.90</u>
City Share Request per Senior Resident	\$ 2.60
County Share Request per Senior Resident	\$ 1.30
	<u>\$ 3.90</u>

FAIR SHARE REQUEST FROM DAVIE

Number of Residents over 60 in Your City	6,245
Fair Share Request per Senior Resident in Your City	<u>x 2.60</u>

TOTAL FAIR SHARE REQUEST \$16,237

In 1999, the Area Agency Provided Your City With Services Totaling: **\$469,395**



Area Agency on Aging of Broward County

1999

Services Provided to Senior Citizens

in the

Town of Davie



Program	Service Provided	Clients	Units Provided	1999 Unit Cost	Total Cost
OLDER AMERICANS ACT					
	ADULT DAY CARE	17	6,632.50	5.01	33,228.83
	CHORE	28	138.75	27.02	3,749.03
	CONGREGATE MEALS	129	11,019.00	4.40	48,483.60
	COUNSELING	16	115.00	15.35	1,765.25
	ELDER TRAINING	4	20.00	33.53	670.60
	HEALTH SUPPORT	19	176.00	8.93	1,571.68
	HOME DELIVERED MEALS	74	17,647.00	1.90	33,529.30
	HOMEMAKER	3	345.50	10.93	3,776.32
	HOUSING IMPROVEMENT	13	50.00	29.03	1,451.50
	IN-HOME EDUCATION*	N/A	73.00	17.93	1,308.89
	INFORMATION*	N/A	724.00	2.65	1,918.60
	LEGAL	30	300.25	42.80	12,850.70
	NUTRITION OUTREACH	33	33.00	10.01	330.33
	PERSONAL CARE	2	345.50	10.24	3,537.92
	PUBLIC EDUCATION*	N/A	505.00	7.12	3,595.60
	RECREATION	122	9,918.75	1.57	15,572.44
	REFERRAL	75	242.00	14.94	3,615.48
	SENIOR AIDES	8	6,835.50	5.15	35,202.83
	TRANSPORTATION	59	2,253.00	8.98	20,231.94
	Program Totals:	632	57,373.75		\$226,390.84
COMMUNITY CARE FOR THE ELDERLY					
	ADULT DAY CARE	22	12,766.25	5.01	63,958.92
	CASE MANAGEMENT	124	911.50	47.04	42,876.96
	EMERGENCY ALERT RESPONSE	14	2,391.00	2.51	6,001.41
	HOMEMAKER	26	1,930.50	10.93	21,100.37
	IN-HOME RESPITE	1	4.00	12.54	50.16
	PERSONAL CARE	26	3,132.50	10.24	32,076.80
	Program Totals:	213	21,135.75		\$166,064.62

*Client specific information is not captured for these services.

Program	Service Provided	Clients	Units Provided	1999 Unit Cost	Total Cost
ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE INITIATIVE					
	CAREGIVER TRAINING & SUP	1	15.25	48.84	744.81
	CASE MANAGEMENT	8	68.00	47.04	3,198.72
	IN-HOME RESPITE	8	1,622.00	12.54	20,339.88
	Program Totals:	17	1,705.25		\$24,283.41
HOME CARE FOR THE ELDERLY					
	BASIC SUBSIDY	16	144.00	106.00	15,264.00
	CASE MANAGEMENT	18	244.50	47.04	11,501.28
	IN-HOME RESPITE	3	136.00	12.54	1,705.44
	PERSONAL CARE	1	158.00	10.24	1,617.92
	SPECIAL SUBSIDY	7	50.00	89.85	4,492.50
	Program Totals:	45	732.50		\$34,581.14
LOCAL SERVICE PROGRAM					
	SPECIAL DIETARY MEALS	163	4,108.00	4.40	18,075.20
	Program Totals:	163	4,108.00		\$18,075.20
Totals:		1,070	85,055.25		\$469,395.21

In 1999, our Project Family provided your 6,245 seniors with \$469,395 in services.

The Area Agency's Match Request for 2001 is \$16,237.

Therefore, for every \$1 we are seeking, the Area Agency provided over \$28.90 in services.

Our figures are secured from the annual service cost reports obtained from our Projects.



Chris

September 5, 2000

The Honorable Harry Venis
Town of Davie
6591 SW 45th Street
Davie, FL 33314

Dear Mayor Venis:

Brookwood, A Young Women's Residence, Brookwood East branch, provides residential care and support services to twelve adolescent girls, 11 to 18, who have been victims of abuse, neglect, violence, family dysfunction or homelessness. Our goal is to assist these teens in developing skills, self-concepts, and a maturity level sufficient to successfully return home or live independently as productive members of their respective communities. Without direct intervention, these youth are at a high risk of school drop out, teenage pregnancy, drug abuse, and lifetimes of public assistance.

Many maltreated teenagers are removed from the abusive home and attempts are made to place them with a surrogate family. Unfortunately, there are only 4,000 foster homes statewide for 10,500 children in state custody. Sometimes, it's not a matter of a shortage of foster homes, but of finding a family willing to take a troubled teenager. The November 7th *Sun-Sentinel* reported state officials as saying, "in Florida, some children have been sent to locked treatment centers simply because the state has no place else to put them."

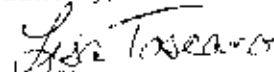
Brookwood East is the alternative. Our program enables girls to break generational cycles of abuse, dependency, illiteracy, poverty and unplanned pregnancies so they do not become adults dependent on government support. We have created a structured therapeutic group home that provides for the emotional, physical and educational needs of our girls and prepares them for a constructive, productive life. This is achieved through our program of mental health counseling, education, employability skills and independent living preparation.

It costs \$90 per day per girl for room and board, therapy, and general living expenses. Parents who privately place their daughters pay on a sliding fee scale. The average length of stay is four to six months. Medicaid, which accounted for 37% of Brookwood East's 1999 revenue, has announced that future funding will continue to be reduced. Even without the cuts, family fees and government reimbursement do not meet the total cost of care for all our residents. Staff activities related to intake, assessment, employment counseling, and job coaching are not reimbursable by current funders. These funding shortfalls create a financial strain on Brookwood East's resources.

The Town of Davie has been very supportive of Brookwood in the past. I hope we can continue to count on your support. Brookwood East is requesting support of \$5,000 to be put toward our general operating expenses.

I appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,


Lisa Toscano

Community Development Director



E.A.S.E.
Foundation, Inc.
(Emergency Assistance Service Effort)



6901 Orange Drive
Davie, FL 33314
(954) 787-1077

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Tom Tuex

The EASE Foundation,
founded in 1987, is a
private non profit
corporation.

May 19, 2000

Town of Davie
Attn: Mr. Chris Wallace
6591 Orange Drive
Davie, Florida 33314

Dear Chris:

The Town of Davie has always been a significant supporter of the EASE Foundation. This year we are asking you to consider appropriating \$17,000 to our program of work in your 2000/2001 annual budget. The EASE Foundation is the only local charity which specifically targets the Davie residents for financial assistance.

So far this year we have assisted over 1500 families with food, clothing, car insurance, utility bills, or rental and mortgage assistance. The EASE Foundation is your local charity, and exclusively serves our neighbors.

Davie's cultural background is changing, and this is reflected in our client base. 25% are of Spanish descent, 17% Afro-American and 58% Caucasian. Two-thirds have one-three children and 73% are single, head of households. Our greatest desire is to prevent these families and their children from being homeless with no where to go.

We hope you will continue your support of these residents through the EASE Foundation.

Sincerely,

Linda J. Owen



Family Central, Inc.

April 27, 2000

Finance Director Christopher Wallace
City of Davie
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Dear Mr. Wallace:

Last year, because of the your commitment to the children in the City of Davie, Family Central, Inc. was able to serve 217 children from Davie's *working poor* families in safe, nurturing childcare environments. Your investment of \$11,934 in childcare support was able to generate \$149,175 in state and local match and provided funding for 83 children.

We, at Family Central are deeply appreciative of your past support. This year, we are requesting \$10,869 as match from the City of Davie. Your contribution will generate \$135,866 in state and federal dollars, which will enable us to serve an estimated 75 children from the City of Davie.

In the last few years, researchers have shown the positive effect enriching early childhood experiences has on the development of a child's brain. The first five years in a child's life may shape his/her entire future.

Legislators in Florida and the U.S. Congress have responded to the brain research and recognized the critical importance of quality childcare. It is the essential link that allows families to get off of welfare, helps the *working poor* maintain its employment, and prepares children for success in school. Additionally, Broward County was awarded \$1,700,000 in Child Care Purchasing Pool dollars that require an additional \$1,700,000 in local match. Because each dollar of local match generates \$12.50 in state and federal funding or \$1 in Purchasing Pool dollars, it is expected that match contributions will raise more than \$10 million for Broward's working poor children. While local match raises significant dollars for the community's vulnerable children, it is also a requirement for the award of the entire subsidized child care contract to serve all the children in the county. This encompasses children other than the working poor, including children from families receiving WAGES services, foster children, and children under Protective Supervision.

Attached is Family Central, Inc.'s application for funding. Your past support is valued. Your continued support is essential. Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to contact me at any time if I may be of assistance to you. Together we will better serve our future, the children of the City of Davie.

Sincerely,

Barbara-Ann Weinstein, Ed.D.
President/Chief Executive Officer

BW:ds
Enclosure

FAMILY CENTRAL, INC.
MUNICIPALITIES SUPPORT
2000-2001

	1999-2000 APPROVED/ RECEIVED	2000-2001 REQUESTED/ APPROVED
CITY OF COCONUT CREEK	3,300.00	3,482.00
CITY OF COOPER CITY	570.00	871.00
CORAL SPRINGS COMMUNITY CHEST, INC.	14,000.00	24,126.00
CITY OF DANIA	750.00	9,219.00
TOWN OF DAVIE	11,934.00	10,869.00
CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH	7,500.00	19,639.00
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE	40,339.00	169,083.00
CITY OF HALLANDALE	2,000.00	7,265.00
CITY OF HOLLYWOOD	25,000.00	67,758.00
CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES	1,000.00	31,353.00
LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA	500.00	500.00
CITY OF LAUDERHILL	0.00	59,211.00
LIGHTHOUSE POINT	0.00	500.00
CITY OF MARGATE	3,000.00	14,817.00
CITY OF MIRAMAR	2,147.00	17,205.00
CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE	5,400.00	26,990.00
CITY OF OAKLAND PARK	6,847.00	8,633.00
CITY OF PARKLAND	500.00	500.00
TOWN OF PEMBROKE PARK	920.00	1,520.00
CITY OF PEMBROKE PINES	7,371.00	0,413.00
CITY OF PLANTATION	0.00	14,509.00
CITY OF POMPAN0 BEACH	40,416.00	87,812.00
CITY OF SUNRISE	20,000.00	30,291.00
CITY OF TAMARAC	3,500.00	8,520.00
CITY OF WESTON	0.00	500.00
CITY OF WILTON MANORS	2,335.00	3,023.00
TOTALS	199,329.00	626,409.00

FISCAL YEAR 2000/2001

APPLICATION FOR FUNDING SOCIAL AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

Category of Applicant: (Check one) Social X Cultural _____

1. Legal name of organization: Family Central, Inc.

2. Mailing Address: 840 SW 81st Avenue
North Lauderdale, Florida 33068

3. Date Incorporated: 1973 Fiscal Year Begins: July 1

4. Chief Executive Officer: Barbara-Ann Weinstein, Ed.D.
Title: President/CEO Phone (954) 720-1000

5. **Brief Description of Agency Goals and Objectives:** Family Central, Inc. (FCI) was incorporated in 1973 and is a comprehensive, multifaceted, not-for-profit social service agency serving more than 25,000 Broward County children and their families a year. Most of FCI's families are economically disadvantaged, at-risk, drug-affected, or otherwise vulnerable to the effects of poverty. FCI, as the central childcare agency in the county, is the Florida Department of Children and Families' (DCF) sole source provider of subsidized childcare for Protective Service (PS), the working poor childcare services, and Work and Gain Economic Self-Sufficiency (WAGES) program. FCI subcontracts with 164 childcare centers and family childcare homes and places children in 232 voucher facilities. More than 36 child and family support programs designed to enhance and improve the lives of the children and their families establish FCI as a comprehensive family service agency. Short term goals and objectives include (1) maximizing dollars available for subsidized child care through local match contributions (2) reducing the amount of working poor families waiting to receive subsidized child care. Long term goals and objectives include providing family support services at all childcare facilities within FCI's network and ensuring children's readiness to make a successful transition into school.

6. **Describe How Requested Funds Would Be Spent:** Affordable childcare is a critical issue for families in the City of Davie and crucial to families becoming self-sufficient. The requested funds directly impact the availability and quality of childcare for the City of Davie's working poor population. For many families, subsidized childcare is the only way parents can work. FCI has the ability to draw down match funds from two sources. Funds will be used to provide local match through either The Florida Department of Children and Families' Title XX Child Care Fund or the State of Florida's Child Care Purchasing Pool Program. Both of these funds have local match requirements. Because FCI aggressively pursues funding from a number of local sources, if the local match requirement for Title XX has been met, all remaining local dollars will be used to draw down state funds through the Purchasing Pool. Our request for \$10,869 will draw down \$135,866 to allow subsidies for 75 Davie children through state/federal Title XX and/or Child Care Purchasing Pool funds.

7. **Amount Requested** from Davie: \$10,869
Amount generated by match funding: \$135,866

8. How will the requested funding compliment the array of City services currently provided to City residents? Quality childcare provides the at-risk child enriching experiences and developmentally appropriate opportunities to foster cognitive, social, and emotional growth. It is the critical foundation for later success in school. Equally as significant, childcare is the core service, which allows a parent to work and to move towards economic self-sufficiency. The City of Davie plays a pivotal role in helping its working poor families achieve self-sufficiency. The funds requested in this proposal will generate either a \$12.50 state/federal match (Title XX) for every local dollar raised, or a dollar-for-dollar state match (Purchasing Pool) for every dollar awarded. These funds will provide much needed subsidized childcare for the City of Davie children whose parents are among the working poor.

9. Do you have a REQUIREMENT from county, state, federal, grant or other sources to raise local match dollars? Yes X No

If YES, what is the match requirement? FCI must raise local funds in order to draw down either a \$12.50 state/federal match through Title XX for every local dollar raised, or a dollar-for-dollar match through the Child Care Purchasing Pool for every local dollar contributed. All dollars awarded by the state are match funds directly dependent upon the amount of local funds raised.

What agency is making this requirement? The Department of Children and Families

Is this match specific to the project for which you are requesting funding?

Yes X No

10. Describe how city funds have been used in the current year, if applicant received funds from last year's process. This past year FCI received \$11,934. These funds are providing local match for 83 City of Davie residents through FCI's Title XX Subsidized Child Care contract with the State of Florida's Department of Children and Families. FCI has also served an additional 134 children from Davie's working poor families this past year through funding raised from other sources.

11. Do you receive funding from any organization, which has received or will be requesting funds from the City? Yes No X

If YES, list amount and source.

12. Do other cities provide support? Yes X No

If YES, list amount and city. SEE ATTACHED LIST

13. What percentage of your organization's budget is direct delivery of service as opposed to "overhead"? 88.70%

Please note, however, that 100% of match funding goes to direct child care services. NONE of the match dollars are used for Family Central, Inc.'s administrative costs.

*Helping
Other
People
Everyday*

Hope Outreach Center, Inc.
3894 S.W. 64th Avenue, Davie, FL 33314
Phone: 954-321-0909 Fax: 954-321-1059

October, 2000

Davie Town Council,

We are very fortunate for the support the Town of Davie has provided the HOPE Outreach Center in the past. We appeal to the council and this town for your continued support in order to enable us to fulfill our mission to help the needy families in the Davie/Cooper city area in order to build a stronger and thriving community.

This year we would like the Council to consider a grant/donation of \$10,000 to HOPE Outreach Center. This will assist the center in providing the myriad of services donated to the Davie Community.

HOPE has experienced tremendous growth during the past year as evident by the annual report summary attached. Services for our client base grew over 200% from 98-99 and the trend continues. Nine new programs were introduced and four were expanded to meet our clients needs. We have developed ten new alliances with community organizations. All these services were made possible by the services of an all-volunteer staff who logged in almost 11,000 hours.

HOPE operates an emergency center at 3894SW 64th Ave. The services provided include a food pantry, emergency partial financial assistance with rent and utilities. We also offer Social Services, advocacy, mental health counseling, pastoral counseling, information and referral services, support groups, educational programs and tutoring classes for area children. (1500 families served in 1999)

The center operates outreach programs at the Silver Oaks Mobile Home Community where it provides a free after school enrichment program (60 children) for underprivileged children in grades K-5th, and a youth prevention program (20 youth) for youth in grades 6th -9th grades. We have a Senior Outreach Program that provides visitation and companionship for the homebound and infirm in our community (105 families). We provide Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets and toys for our families during the holidays (609 families served last year).

We are striving for continued growth and expansion this year in order to provide the kinds of programs that will assist our clients towards economic, emotional and spiritual self-sufficiency. For this we are asking the Town Council to consider the \$10,000 donation. We also would like the council to assist the center in finding a new facility in the East Davie area.

Respectfully submitted



Helen Shimmers
Executive Director
For the Board of Directors



Hope Outreach Center, Inc.

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Executive Director Report
May 2000

Annual Report 1999

The Year was full of challenges and new discoveries as I embarked in this mission called HOPE and although many opportunities are awaiting to be explored I think the center has experienced a tremendous growth in the last 6 months of my assignment here. In the interest of brevity I will list only the major accomplishments in my first year here at HOPE.

- Began the Process of streamlining, consolidating, and standardizing the operations at the center.
- Developing operational databases for the different programs and services. We are now compiling statistics for the elderly program, children's program, youth program as well as central services.
- Client Base Growth at Central Services.

	1998	1999	% Increase
# of walk-in clients	349	843	↑ 241%
# of TG families served	90	211	↑ 234%
# of Christmas families served	151	398	↑ 264%

Volunteer Hrs	1998	1999	
Central Services	2849	2896	
Children's program	na	2498	
Youth program	na	176	
Elderly program	na	5193	
Total		10763	

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*An outreach program of Saint David Community*

**New Programs:**

- Teen/Youth Program- Coalition between Town of Davie, Davie Police Department, NSU, S.O Management, S.O Homeowners and HOPE.
- UF FNEP (nutrition) program.
- Social Services headed by Patti Bledsoe. Carmen Martinez supports. 2x week.
- Mental Health Counseling 2x week. Collaboration with Catholic Charities.
- Hispanic Women's Support Group. Collaboration w/ Hispanic Unity.
- Financial Assistance to compliment the work of SVDP (Rent, utilities, bus passes, gas).
- Home refurbishing projects.
- Home visitation program. Headed by Sr. Germana.
- Elderly Advocacy Services. Headed by Sr. Germana.

**Expanded programs/services:**

- Increased Centers' hours of operation. Now also opened 2 nights a week (Tu. & Wed.)
- Expanded Children's Enrichment program, from 2 to 3 days/week at S.O. Collaboration with NSU (OT) Masters program.
- Tutoring increased from 1 to 6 children at the Center.
- Increased Volunteer base from: Children's Program 21(98) to 28 +7students (99) ↑66%, Teen 5(99), Central 17(98) to (28) ↑(64%), Elderly 28(98) to 30(99) ↑7%.

**Grants**

1999

Procured 501(c)(3) Status in June 1999

- |                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| • Conrad Hilton Fund          | \$10,000 |
| • Tenet Healthcare Foundation | \$ 1000  |
| • Town of Davie               | \$ 7,500 |

**Major Gifts**

|                           |         |
|---------------------------|---------|
| American Marketing Corp.. | \$4,000 |
|---------------------------|---------|

**Fundraisers**

- |                       |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| • Way of the Cross    | \$ 419.15    |
| • Entertainment Books | \$ 385.00    |
| • Christmas Bazaar    | \$ 576.00    |
| • Honda Classic       | \$1640.00    |
| • Golf Classic        | \$ 20,000.00 |

**Community Alliances**

- Town of Davie
- Youth/teen Coalition  
(Town of Davie, Davie Police, NSU, Silver Oaks Homeowners, SO Management)
- Monsignor Pace HS      •Archbishop McCarthy High School
- Davie Rotary Club      •NSU      •BCC
- UF/4H Club      •Memorial Regional Hospital
- Falcon Pub      •American Marketing Inc.      •Mac Fatter Technical



MEMORIAL REGIONAL HOSPITAL • JOE DIMAGGIO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL  
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL WEST • MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PEMBROKE • MEMORIAL MANOR

October 24, 2000

Mayor and Councilmembers  
Town of Davie  
6581 Orange Drive  
Davie, FL 33314

Subject: FY 2000/01 Funding for "Driftwood Initiative" - \$17,500

Dear Mayor or Councilmembers:

Our "pilot" program in the Southern CDBG Target Area a/k/a "Driftwood" has proven to be a tremendous success; and, we are anxious to continue our joint venture with the Town of Davie. Our Community Benefits Manager, Arlene McLaren-Walters, works closely with the Town's Housing and Community Development Director, Shirley Taylor-Prakett, on the Driftwood Neighborhood Revitalization Program; and, we are proud to be a part of this initiative.

Our Driftwood Coordinator, Carmen Rodriguez, has garnered the support and trust of the target area residents; and, the monthly "Community Meetings" have been well attended. A steady, progressive agenda for self-sufficiency has been developed, and is moving forward. This residents are beginning to see the fruits of their labor, as evidenced by the recent physical improvements to both Ehlinger and El Jardin, and the allocation of funds by the Town and the Broward County Housing Authority, to air-condition Ehlinger Apartments this Fiscal Year, (thus providing a healthier living environment for the tenants). This year's "Health Fair" (which was held on August 5<sup>th</sup>) was extremely well attended; and, we were glad that Councilwoman Geri Clark was able to join us to witness first-hand, how this program is enhancing the lives of our lower-income residents.

The comprehensive, one-on-one survey of the area residents that was completed in June, yielded useful information required to further tailor our programs and services to meet the needs of the area residents. Since education (for both adults and children) was the number one concern cited by the residents, we are delighted to work with the Town in the development of a new learning center and/or computer lab for the area residents.

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*South Broward Hospital District*

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October 24, 2000

We look forward to continuing our program in the Driftwood Target Area, and appreciate the Town's financial support of this endeavor. Together, we are enhancing the quality of life for the lower-income residents. Since each party contributes 50% of the salary for the Driftwood Neighborhood Coordinator, the Town of Davie's FY 2000/01 contribution would be \$17,500.

Sincerely,



John A. Bonz  
Strategic Business and Development Officer

Cc: Chris Wallace, Budget and finance Director  
Shirley Taylor-Prakelt, Housing & CD Director  
Arlene McLaren Waiters, Community Benefits Manager, Memorial Healthcare System



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April 18, 2000

Council Member Judy Paul  
 Town of Davie  
 6591 Orange Drive  
 Davie, FL 33314

Dear Council Member Paul:

You can help inaugurate a precedent by assisting local students begin a life-long habit of voting. Election Day, Tuesday, November 7, Broward's 245,000 students will cast their ballots for President of United States with Kids Voting Broward.

Over 80,000 local students voted in the 1996 Kids Voting Presidential Election. In a recent survey, 97% of Broward's teachers said they plan to participate in the Kids Voting program this fall. More than 100,000 children are expected to vote at 300 regular voting precincts in November.

Kids Voting Broward is a nonprofit, nonpartisan voter education organization that prepares and motivates future voters with nationally acclaimed electoral process curriculum in kindergarten through high school and by providing hands-on voting experience on Election Day.

Kids Voting curriculum not only teaches the mechanics and importance of voting, but develops critical thinking skills:

- decision making and self-discipline
- responsibility and cooperation
- patience and persistence

These lessons are crucial in helping youths learn to make appropriate decisions, enabling them to mature into responsible adults. By educating and preparing future voters, democracy grows and rights are preserved.

By supporting Kids Voting Broward, you foster our goals:

- starting a lifelong habit of voting among tomorrow's voters
- improving citizen involvement
- preparing current and future generations to participate in government
- increasing adult voter turnout

*Awarded 1999 JCPenney Golden Rule Award for Education*

March 14, 2000, over 51,000 Broward students participated in the Kids Voting Presidential Primary. Ninety-two percent of Broward's teachers said the election was helpful in reinforcing lessons in democracy. In a national survey, over 70% of parents said their children began discussions at home about elections and they became better-educated voters due to their children's involvement. More than 80% of teachers saw an increase in parental involvement in school. In areas of the country with Kids Voting programs, adult voter turnout increased by an average of 5%.

A recent survey of 40,000 Broward students found:

- Four out of five children stated that learning about voting was an important part of their education.
- 93% of elementary school students felt participating in mock elections increased their desire to vote as adults.
- A three-to-two majority of middle school students indicated participating in the Kids Voting Broward election helped them to better understand democracy.
- By a three-to-one margin, the county's high school students said voting in a mock election with Kids Voting helped motivate them to register to vote when they turn 18.

Kids Voting Broward is seeking a donation of \$2,500 to help defray the cost of printing student ballots. Davie will have 15 Kids Voting precincts that will serve every school age child living in the city, approximately 11,000 students.

In appreciation for your support, you will continue to be listed as an annual sponsor on all newsletters, brochures and other publications. You also will be thanked in our appreciation ads in *The Herald* and *Sun-Sentinel* after the election. Finally, you will be listed on our website.

Your support is crucial to education, the growth of democracy and the success of the Kids Voting program. If you have any questions or need more information, please call me at 954-767-8573. In advance, thank you for your continued commitment to youth, education and support of democracy. I anticipate your reply.

Sincerely,



Barbara Erickson

Executive Director

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Barbara Eichen

## Impact of Kids Voting On Town of Davie Young Residents

- A Kids Voting curriculum supplement was distributed to every grade at each school in Davie.
- In 1998, approximately 20%, or 2,200 of Davie's 11,000 students voted in the Kids Voting Gubernatorial Election, getting hands-on voting experience.
- In 1999, about 18%, or 2,000 of Davie's students voted in the local election that included the library bond issue and the county commission redistricting. This was the first time students ever voted on local issues.
- In March 2000, nearly 25%, or 2,500, of Davie's students voted in the Presidential Primary and Davie's municipal election. This was the first time students gave their opinions of the Davie elections.
- In August 2000, new Kids Voting curriculum will be distributed to every classroom in each elementary school in Davie, and to all social studies teachers in middle and high school. The curriculum includes Internet sites and activities to help prepare students for the future.
- Teacher training classes to better acquaint educators with the new curriculum and enable them to better serve their students will be held throughout the county.
- November 7, 2000, Election Day, over 100,000 students countywide are expected to vote in the Presidential Election. That is about 40% of all students. In the Town of Davie, that will be approximately 4,400 students who experience this culminating step in their electoral process education.

*Awarded 1999 JCPenney Golden Rule Award for Education*

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## Kids Voting Broward

Kids Voting Broward is seeking the continued support of the Town of Davie. November 7, 2000, is the Presidential Election. We would be extremely appreciative if we received the same funding as last year, \$2,500, to help defray expenses for curriculum, ballots, ballot boxes, voting booths and other necessary supplies for this important lesson.

Kids Voting not only teaches your school-age residents about the importance of voting, but it:

- \* enhances their communications skills
- \* increases their decision-making abilities
- \* empowers their families
- \* builds democracy.

It assists economically challenged children by leveling the playing field. This will positively impact their lives through adulthood, especially when they enter the job market.

Dr. Steven Chaffee, Ph.D. of Stanford University explained that Kids Voting "closes the gap between socio-economic levels, reducing the gap for all forms of communication to zero...stimulating communication in students from lower social-economic status backgrounds, bringing them up to par with those who otherwise would have been more active communicators." He added, "In families in which political socialization is likely to be impoverished (i.e., the low socio-economic group), students were stimulated the most by the Kids Voting curriculum."

A study by the University of Wisconsin-Madison found, "Kids Voting was particularly effective in strengthening feelings of political efficacy among lower status youths."

Kids Voting also teaches character education, including decision making, self-discipline, responsibility, cooperation, patience and persistence. These attributes will positively impact students throughout their entire lives. By educating and preparing future voters, democracy grows and rights are preserved.

**Awarded 1999 JCPenney Golden Rule Award for Education**

At-risk children are further aided in the prevention of gangs, substance abuse and other negative behavior because Kids Voting assists in strengthening families through communications. Kids Voting homework assignments encourage students to discuss their lessons with their parents. In a recent survey, one out of two Broward teachers said Kids Voting Broward homework assignments increased parental involvement in students' education. National statistics show that 71% of students said they discussed the elections with their parents.

Kids Voting is building a better future for your young residents by:

- augmenting their communications skills
- honing their decision-making abilities
- strengthening families
- fortifying democracy.

I anticipate you will agree that these crucial lessons are vital to the youth of your town. Please enable us to teach these skills to your school-age residents by supporting our request for \$2,500.

Kids Voting Broward is working! A recent survey of over 40,000 Broward County Schools students found:

- Four out of five children stated that learning about voting was an important part of their education.
- 93% of elementary school students felt participating in mock elections increased their desire to vote as adults.
- A three-to-two majority of middle school students indicated participating in the Kids Voting Broward election helped them to better understand democracy.
- By a three-to-one margin, the county's high school students said voting in a mock election with Kids Voting helped motivate them to register to vote when they turn 18.



*Sharon*

**Broward Urban River Trails, Inc.  
218 S.W. 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301**

Town of Davie  
6591 Orange Drive  
Davie, FL 33314

Dear Mayor Venis and Town Council,

There are few issues more important or more closely tied to our daily lives and to every city in Broward County than water quality. Broward Urban River Trails has long been dedicated to preserving and improving our waterways and your town has been a strong supporter of this effort.

Today, we are asking you to reaffirm the support you have given us in the past with your annual contribution of \$5,000.00. As you know, BURT is dedicated to waterway improvement and preservation and works with Davie in the following ways:

- \*Grants
- \*Swim Central program
- \*Partnering with you in obtaining grants for waterway research
- \*Educational programs
- \*Environmental projects
- \*Coordinating volunteer groups for Waterway Cleanups.

Your support is vital to this effort and has played an important role in our ability to continue to oversee water quality issues and work with Davie town officials and staff in reaching the goals we all desire that is, waterways that are clean, preserved, and available to all for recreational use.

With this funding, you demonstrate your support for clean waterways and your support allows us to leverage your funding to obtain additional support for projects that directly affect the citizens of Davie and all the people of Broward County.

Thank you so much for your continuing support.

Sincerely,

*John A. Rude*  
John A. Rude, Executive Director  
Broward Urban River Trails, Inc.

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October 18, 2000

VIA FACSIMILE

Chris Wallace  
Budget and Finance Director  
Town of Davie  
6591 Orange Drive  
Davie, FL 33314

Dear Mr. Wallace:

We are pleased to submit a request for financial support of First Call For Help of Broward's services provided to residents of the Davie community. Also attached is a copy of our 501(c)(3) Federal tax exemption letter.

First Call For Help of Broward, Inc. is a private, non-profit human service agency founded in 1995 in response to community residents' needs for a readily available crisis/suicide intervention resource and a coordinated, systematic way of obtaining information about and referrals to health and human service programs. Since its inception as Broward County's only 24-hour, 7-day a week crisis/suicide intervention, information and referral Helpline, First Call has responded to more than 340,000 calls from all corners of our community, including over 5,700 calls from residents of the Town of Davie.

*The mission of First Call For Help is to provide 24-hour comprehensive Helpline and support services for individuals in our community seeking crisis intervention assistance and/or information and referrals to health and human services in Broward County.*

First Call is fulfilling its mission via services based on the following goals and objectives:

- To assist residents in need of crisis/suicide intervention, empathetic listening support, information, referrals, or emergency financial assistance;
- To maintain an up-to-date database of human service agencies and programs and other support resources and make this information accessible to callers and service providers;
- To collaborate with human service providers, funders, and other interested parties in the provision of a telecommunications system which will enhance access to information and services; and
- To support countywide human service planning, evaluation, and funding through the sharing of statistical information gathered from Helpline caller reports.

The anticipated outcome or benefit to the caller and clients of Helpline services is that they increase their ability to respond to, cope with, and/or resolve their immediate personal problem or crisis.

**Broward County's Only 24-Hour Comprehensive Information, Referral and Crisis Helplines**

First Call For Help: 467.6333 • Senior Helpline: 522.5220 • TeenHotline: 467.8336 • PhoneFriend: 523.1222 • Wages Hotline: 467.2



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As the community's only 24-hour, 7 day a week crisis/suicide intervention, information and referral Helpline program, residents of Davie who are experiencing personal crises or emotional problems or who need information about local health and social service resources call to speak with our Helpline Counselors. Our qualified and trained staff listen, help identify or clarify problems, discuss various options for problem resolution and then refer callers to the agency or program that will best meet identified needs. Some stories of our recent callers are included below:

- *My son is 13 years old and he is displaying some bizarre behaviors. He won't talk to me, and I don't know what to do. Is there anywhere I can send him for some help? I don't know where to turn, and I feel like I'm losing control of him.*
- *My husband has become disabled and my salary is not enough to pay the bills. His disability won't go through for at least 4-6 months. What can I do to keep from losing everything?*
- *I know I'm really depressed, and I've been diagnosed with bi-polar disorder. My family and friends have turned their backs on me, and my 7-year relationship with my boyfriend just ended. I need help, but I don't have insurance or money. Where can I go for help?*
- *My life is over. I'm 48 years old and I have just come back to Florida to take care of my mother. She has Alzheimer's and she is getting worse. I can pretty much kiss the next fifteen years of my life goodbye. What can I do?*
- *I lost my power from Hurricane Irene and all my food went bad. Where can I get food for my kids and me?*
- *Our home got flooded after Hurricane Irene. Everything is ruined. I don't have insurance. Can you help me with this mess? I don't know where to go for help.*
- *I feel like I'm at the end of my rope. I don't know what else to do. Is there someone I can talk to?*
- *I just left an abusive marriage and need to know where I can call for assistance. I need a place to go with my children, financial assistance and food. Can you help?*

First Call's program includes the following specialized Helplines:

- **The First Call For Help** helpline provides confidential crisis/suicide intervention, counseling and information and referrals on health and social services;
- **Senior Helpline** provides similar services as above focusing on elder-related issues such as transportation, adult day care, hot meals and social activities;
- **TeenHotline** counselors provide a non-judgmental listening ear for teens as they sort through the complex issues of adolescence, along with crisis intervention and appropriate information and referrals;
- **PhoneFriend** provides a listening line for children who are home alone and are lonely, scared or just need some adult reassurance;
- **Welfare Transition Hotline** is a crisis intervention, information and referral response system for clients who need help transitioning from welfare to work and after job placement; and
- **INFOline** provides free, confidential information and referrals to child and adolescent mental health services, substance abuse prevention and treatment programs, case management and other specialized behavioral health care services.

All Helplines are capable of assisting callers who are non-English speaking or are speech or hearing impaired through the use of specialized communications devices and bi-lingual staff.



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In addition to its Helpline service, First Call also provides the following program services:

- **Touchline**—a daily telephone reassurance program for frail elders living alone to ensure their health and safety.
- **Emergency Financial Assistance** to clients who meet specific eligibility criteria and are in need of food or one-time help with rent, mortgage, or utility payments;
- **After Hours Services** which responds to client calls for other mental health and social service agencies during non-business hours; and
- **Pathfinder and pcPathfinder—Broward's Directory of Community Services**—popular printed and electronic publications listing information about all the human service agencies and organizations which are available to meet client needs.

All of the services described above depend upon First Call's comprehensive computer database "IRis" which includes detailed information on approximately 3,100 agencies and programs providing human services within the Broward County community, statistics reflecting the nature of the calls received, and a client clearinghouse system which tracks client utilization of financial assistance services.

Residents from Davie clearly benefit from having immediate access to the 24-hour Helpline resource which may help them cope with or resolve their immediate crisis/need—including life or death suicide decisions. From July 1, 1995 through June 30, 2000, 5,695 Davie residents have used the Helpline. The five year breakdown is as follows: 95/96 - 938 callers; 96/97 - 991 callers; 97/98 - 1,257 callers; 98/99 - 1,222 callers and 99/00 - 1,287. Without Helpline assistance, many of these Davie residents likely would have fallen through the cracks in the social service delivery system and not received the crisis assistance or information they needed.

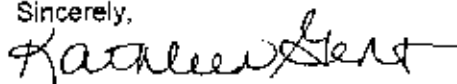
This application seeks funding support from the Town of Davie in the amount of \$2,340 to support the Helpline services provided to its residents. This request is based on a funding formula that provides for partial support of the actual call volume from residents of Davie.

For the 2000/2001 fiscal year, the total cost for providing services to an estimated 1,300 callers from Davie at a unit cost of @ \$9 per Helpline call yields an actual cost of \$11,700. However, First Call is requesting support in the amount of \$2,340 to cover the balance of costs which are not covered by other funding sources (\$1.80 per call) for services provided to and on behalf of Davie residents.

The First Call For Help Helpline Services provide an easily accessible, cost-effective, first contact crisis/suicide intervention, information, referral and support system for the residents of Davie. We invite the Town of Davie to join in partnership with us to continue and enhance this valuable resource we provide to your residents.

In advance, thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Gent  
President/CEO

Enclosure

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
DISTRICT DIRECTOR  
P. O. BOX 2508  
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

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Our Letter Dated:

August 1995

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FIRST CALL FOR HELP OF BROWARD INC  
C/O KATHLEEN GENT  
16 SE 13TH ST  
FT LAUDERDALE, FL 33316 1818

Dear Applicant:

This modifies our letter of the above date in which we stated that you would be treated as an organization that is not a private foundation until the expiration of your advance ruling period.

Your exempt status under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) is still in effect. Based on the information you submitted, we have determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are an organization of the type described in section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(1) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your private foundation status, please keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,

District Director

Letter 1050 (DO/CG)